

Remarks

Claims 1-32 are pending in the subject application. By this Amendment, claims 4, 5, 8, 13, 14, 16, 17, 20-23, and 28-32 have been amended. No new matter has been introduced. Upon entry of these amendments, claims 1-32 will be before the Examiner. Favorable consideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

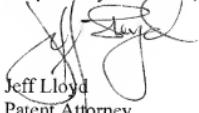
All rejections of record have been removed in view of Applicants' last Response, for which Applicants hereby express their gratitude. The claim objections set forth at page 4 of the Office Action have been obviated by the above amendments. Applicants request reconsideration of claims 21, 22, 30, and 31 which had been withdrawn but which Applicants now believe depend from allowable claims.

In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments to the claims, Applicants believe that the claims as currently pending are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

Applicants invite the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any of this response, or if the Examiner believes a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account 19-0065.

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